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Howard F. Chalmers 9604 Leaning Rock Circle Austin, TX 78730-2725

Dear Howard -

I am hoping I have located the Howard Chalmers that lived across Gramercy Blvd in Houston from our Blackledge family. If this is not you, then you shouldn't be reading other people's mail!

I have no idea where your Life has taken you since we kids would play football and baseball on the vacant lot that was soon thereafter sold and became just one more house on Gramercy. I'm sure all our lives have gone in many interesting directions, but I have tracked you down hoping that you have some memories of those mid 1950s days.

Do you have some stories of Gramercy Blvd? do you recall the communication line that we strung from your house to my house? I don't think that lasted for long. Have you possibly summarized your childhood? I am currently working on a book of Family Stories, and I'd like to include your memories of those days. My brother Pete has given me a few stories which occurred after I left home – when he and your brother Rodney (he names your brother as Roddy, not sure who is correct) would go off to your family's ranch and shoot rattlesnakes and armadillos with .22 rifles. When I was living at home, we had no guns in the house, and I am amazed at how lenient my parents must have become once I departed the scene.

My email and contact info is in the header – I hope to hear from you, and that you enjoyed some of those times as much as I did.

Sincerely,

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